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State prison inmate dies

(Pierre, S.D.)- A state prison inmate has died.

Inmate Dale Schmidt, age 69, died early Sunday at the South Dakota State Penitentiary in Sioux Falls.

Schmidt was sentenced in July of 2009 to 15 years with 7 years suspended for 4th Degree Rape out of Minnehaha County.

An autopsy will be conducted. The Division of Criminal Investigation is investigating the death, as is standard procedure in the death of an inmate.